

# Parish Priorities Statement



## Introduction

The South Downs National Park Authority decided in May 2022 that it would review parts of its Local Plan in line with Government Policy and to ensure the Plan delivers on corporate priorities relating to Climate Action, ReNature and a National Park for All. The views and input of the local community into the Local Plan Review are vital to us particularly those of our town and parish councils. One way in which town and parish councils can contribute to the Local Plan Review is through a **Parish Priority Statement (PPS)**.

Neighbourhood Priority Statements (NPS) as a concept were introduced in the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill (LURB), which was published by the Government in May 2022. NPS are statements prepared by local communities that summarise the principal needs and prevailing views for their local area. There is currently very little information available from the Government, but this will be provided at a later date through secondary legislation and regulations.

In the interim we are inviting all our town and parish councils that are located entirely in the National Park or whose main settlement is located in the National Park to prepare a PPS. A full list of these councils is set out in the appendix to this letter. It will not be necessary for the Council to be designated for the purposes of neighbourhood planning in order to do this. The format and content of PPS follows the very broad approach set out in the LURB, to enable any PPS to evolve into NPS as legislation and guidance is provided by Government.

Please use the attached template to prepare your PPS, following the template will assist the SDNPA in collating information and reviewing priorities across the National Park. There are guidance notes for each question about the sort of information we are looking for. The PPS should focus on the principal needs and prevailing views of your local community. Please identify any opportunities to contribute to the Authority's priorities on Climate Action, Nature Recovery and a National Park for All. More information on these priorities can be found in the [SDNPA Corporate Plan](#). We have indicated a word limit for each section to ensure the documents are focused on the main issues any text beyond the word limit may not be considered by the Authority.

It is really important to gather the views of as many people as possible, who live, work or visit your parish. The second question of the template asks you how you have consulted with your local community. A PPS that demonstrates a high level of community engagement and support will ensure the document will influence when informing the Local Plan Review process. As a minimum the draft PPS should be published inviting comments from the wider community. Town and Parish Councils should also make particular efforts to engage with hard to reach and underrepresented groups such as young people. To help you with the template we have written a PPS for the hypothetical parish of Greenville.

Please submit your PPS to us at the address below by 20 October 2023. Officers from the Authority will review your PPS and get back to you with any queries. The intention is for all PPS to be considered by our Policy and Resources Committee with the intention of publishing them on our website.

Your PPS will not be made part of the development plan for the National Park, but it will form part of the evidence base for the Local Plan Review. We will consider the principal needs and prevailing views set out in your PPS as we progress the Local Plan Review and update local planning policy. PPS will also be useful when applying for funding from the Authority, for example, from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Sustainable Communities Fund. Finally, your PPS may be useful for funding applications to other bodies. Where a Town or Parish Council have an adopted Neighbourhood Plan the PPS will supplement the Plan not supersede it as the PPS will not form part of the Development Plan.

**NOTE: This document is not yet properly formatted. This will be done just before submission to SDNPA.**

## I. Your Details

Information Required	Response
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<b>Details of public consultation and engagement used in the preparation of the PPS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key changes introduced at Annual Parish Assembly on 24 April 2023 (minutes available on Parish Council website (<a href="https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/home/">https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/home/</a>)). 60 people attended (6% of population)</li> <li>• Update and request for input in summer 2023 edition of parish magazine, Meon Matters. Delivered to over 500 homes (100% of population).</li> <li>• Drop-in session on 2 September 2023 in East Meon Village Hall and dedicated email address (<a href="mailto:eastmeonpriorities@gmail.com">eastmeonpriorities@gmail.com</a>) for residents to send in ideas and inputs resulted in 102 (10% of population) unique contacts (ie where people wrote in <u>and</u> attended the pop-in, it was only counted as 1 contact) and xxx comments</li> <li>• Input received from a broad spectrum of residents e.g. farmers, people in the full range of housing-types, the East Meon Nature Group and even a family in the process of buying a house in the village.</li> <li>• Presentation boards kept up for 1 month in the Village Hall plus a Parish Council presence at the VH café on 4 occasions in September in order to reach an older audience in the village</li> <li>• Draft published for further comment</li> <li>• We also used the existing evidence base and consultations for the East Meon Neighbourhood Development Plan (EMNDP 2016 – 2032). Consultation statement can be found at <a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/</a> 31% of the population voted for the Neighbourhood Plan. Other evidence (e.g. Housing Needs Assessment) available on request.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation draft approved at Parish Council meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Amendments made, approved and final version submitted to SDNPA.</li> </ul>

## The vision for the future...

What are the three key changes you would like to see in your Parish over the next 15 years? These changes should relate to the priorities set out below. It will also be helpful to explain when you think these changes should happen over the 15 year period.

<p>We prepared our 16-year Neighbourhood Development Plan 6 years ago. So far, 12 dwellings are about to be delivered and a further 5 are at the planning permission stage. East Meon will deliver the 17 homes promised in the NP (in fact, EMNDP Policy EM1: East Meon Housing Allocation indicates 'a minimum of 15 homes'). Where there has been no or little progress is in accompanying infrastructure (for example, sewerage, transport/roads, and active transport links). Against this background, feedback indicates that there is no appetite from our community for further, significant greenfield development. What could be supported is brownfield development, typically smaller dwellings for social rent and prioritising local families.</p> <p>Our 3 key changes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Solve the village's sewerage and drainage problems, especially in Workhouse Lane</b> (Climate Action). This significant problem for some residents in the village was included in the Neighbourhood Plan <a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/</a>. There has been no improvement since then and indeed subsequent events have included sewage causing the closure of allotments, the football pitch and entering the River Meon and residents' gardens plus flooding causing backing up in toilets. With increasing, significant rainfall events, we see this as an important action to improve the resilience of East Meon to the consequences of climate change. The Parish Council is engaging with Southern Water on the matter (<a href="https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/2023-minutes/">https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/2023-minutes/</a>) and will continue to do so. Feedback from residents indicates a significant push back on any development until a fully tested solution is implemented.</li> <li>• <b>Improve safety for residents and visitors by introducing 20mph speed limits on some roads</b> (a National Park for All). A number of East Meon's roads have no pavement, so are shared between pedestrians, cyclists and motorists. The eastern end of the High Street has no pavement. Workhouse Lane, the road from the Village Car Park to the centre of the village is another example, which means that visitors to East Meon are often seen making way for vehicles and feedback suggests that this leads to some visitors parking in the village, causing problems on the roads there (see infrastructure section). Residents' feedback for this PPS demonstrates that the speed of traffic on some roads makes them wholly unsuitable and unsafe for people with disabilities, carers and parents with buggies, and large groups. Our October 2021 traffic study showed that about 1 in 7 drivers using the High Street were exceeding 35 mph (the speed limit is 30mph). <a href="https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/speed-restriction-signs/">https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/speed-restriction-signs/</a></li> <li>• <b>Achieve 'designated' status for the River Meon in our parish to increase protection of this chalk stream, a rare and precious habitat</b> (ReNature). As mentioned above,</li> </ul>
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residents have watched sewage running into the River Meon during times of flooding and the Environment Agency has confirmed this. The River Meon is a chalk stream, fed almost entirely by springs rather than by rain, and it supports a unique ecology. Working with the South Downs National Park, as per feedback, many of our residents would like to see the River Meon designated an SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest) to turbocharge and support the many excellent activities already taking place through various agencies (eg the Trout Trust, Meon Valley Partnership, SDNPA etc. <http://www.meonvalleypartnership.org.uk/river>) to improve and protect the river and allow it to support an even greater range of animals and plants and make it a focal point for residents and visitors to the SDNP.

## Development and management of land

Information required	Response
<p><b>What type and level of development would you like to see in the parish?</b></p> <p><i>For example, homes, employment and community facilities</i></p>	<p>East Meon will deliver on the additional 17 homes promised in its Neighbourhood Plan (2016-2032), across 2 sites (12 new homes + 5 new homes). (<a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/</a>). This is in addition to the 56 new dwellings built between 2001 – 2011 (source: EMNDP). Additionally, there have been 4 ‘windfall’ homes built in the Parish since the NP was written, a further 1 windfall home approved and 5 windfall homes in the application or pre-application stage. The village infrastructure has not kept up with this development (sewerage, roads, transport etc.). Therefore, our community expects the focus now to be on infrastructure to support these new homes. See ‘Priorities’ and ‘Infrastructure’ sections.</p> <p>Regarding employment, a number of workplaces already exist within the village e.g. pubs, shop, school and an office. Outside the village, there are farms, the Sustainability Centre, a number of offices and business units and a recently approved barn conversion into a warehouse and business. There has been no mention by residents of increasing the number of these, but the number of existing business premises should not be reduced.</p> <p>The Village Hall (not owned or run by the Parish Council) is almost 50 years old. It needs updating to bring facilities, energy usage and flexibility in line with current community expectations.</p>
<p><b>Are there any areas of the Parish you would like to see developed?</b></p>	<p>The East Meon Settlement Policy Boundary was developed with, and adopted by, the South Downs National Park 6 years ago as part of our Neighbourhood Plan, working on the basis that East Meon is a nucleated settlement. Working with SDNPA, this boundary was expanded in order to incorporate 2 of the new Neighbourhood Plan development sites. We do not want to see the Settlement Policy boundary changed again, so soon after the NDP alignment with the</p>

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	<p>SDNPA. EMNDP Policy EM2: The Settlement Policy Boundary is working well and is supported by the community. The Parish Council believes that there are brownfield areas within the Settlement Policy Boundary potentially suitable for development, which could provide affordable housing. The SDNPA also recognises the opportunity for development on brownfield sites with the village, for example see section 5.2 of the SDNP's Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Management Plan (March 2015): <a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/East-Meon-CAAMP-2015.pdf">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/East-Meon-CAAMP-2015.pdf</a>, which specifically mentions the area around the centre of the village (para 5.2).</p> <p>The Settlement Policy Boundary can be found in East Meon's Neighbourhood Plan Policy EM2: <a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-development-plans/east-meon-neighbourhood-plan/</a></p> <p>Note that Westbury House and Leydene ('Meon Hills'), locations of existing settlements in the wider Parish have had applications for new development submitted.</p>
<p><b>Are there any specific areas you want protected for other uses?</b></p> <p><i>Please provide a map showing the area(s) and reasons why they should not be developed</i></p>	<p>Leading on from the previous answer, many of our community have requested that the areas surrounding the village's Settlement Policy Boundary are protected in order to preserve the special views in and out of East Meon. These views are referenced in the East Meon Neighbourhood Plan Policy EM5: Protection of Valued Views and in the South Downs Settlement Context Study <a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning-policy/south-downs-local-plan/local-plan-evidence-base/evidence-and-supporting-documents/settlement-context-study/">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning-policy/south-downs-local-plan/local-plan-evidence-base/evidence-and-supporting-documents/settlement-context-study/</a></p> <p>EMNDP Policy EM5 is generally working well, however in addition to the protected views covered by EM5, feedback to the PPS indicates that views into the Conservation Area from the south and east (Frogmore) should also be protected.</p> <p>The largest of the Neighbourhood Plan sites was selected (among other things) to address a 'visual intrusion' in the views into the village and to improve surface water drainage into Coombe Road. We don't see any other opportunities to improve 'visual intrusions' via development.</p> <p>A significant amount of consultation and alignment with residents' views went in to allocating the Local Green Spaces for protection via the Neighbourhood Plan. They are listed and shown on a map in Policy EM10: Local Green Spaces. This policy is working well and these Local Green Spaces should continue to be protected.</p>

## Homes

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<p><b>What type of homes would you like to see in your local community?</b></p> <p><i>For example affordable homes, self-build, specialized care, elderly care</i></p>	<p>As per the East Meon Neighbourhood Plan, a mix of affordable and market homes.</p> <p>Our community was not impressed by the lack of social rented homes provided in the development on the site the South of Coombe Rd (see Neighbourhood Plan Policy EM16). The fact that this is due to a lack of registered providers willing to take on social rented homes on the site, raises the question how practicable it is to develop sites in rural areas. Some residents have suggested that the SDNPA imposes penalties on developers who renege on social housing promises.</p> <p>Provision of Affordable Shared Ownership housing on the new Coombe Road EM16 is being offered to local residents first, so EMNDP Policy EM4: Allocation of Affordable Housing is meeting the Parish's needs.</p>
<p><b>What size of home is needed locally?</b></p>	<p>The East Meon Neighbourhood Plan Policy EM3: Size of Dwellings, supported by the Housing Needs Assessment and Report (copy available on request) clearly indicates that 2- and 3-bedroom homes are required for young families and downsizers. 1-bedroom dwellings would also be acceptable. Policy EM3 is working well.</p>
<p><b>Any other requirements?</b></p> <p><i>For example energy performance, renewable technology</i></p>	<p>East Meon is not on the gas grid, so new homes will need to be powered by an alternative source. We would like to see heat pumps, solar and other renewable technologies, along with appropriate insulation, used to heat any new homes. There are numerous green spaces in and around the settlements in the Parish (some owned by the Parish Council) which could be used for ground source heating for groups of houses.</p> <p>All new dwellings should have Electric Vehicle Charging Points.</p> <p>Parking is also a problem in all parts of the village, raised by a number of residents. While it is understood that the Parking SPD provides for a minimum level of parking for new dwellings, there needs also to be a provision for e.g. visitors, tradespeople and deliveries.</p>



## Design

Information Required	Response
<p><b>Are there any areas of local character which are particularly important to the local community?</b></p> <p><i>Please provide the location as well as what is important about the character</i></p>	<p>The East Meon Conservation Area is particularly important in setting the character of the village, supported by feedback from the community. It is described in detail in the SDNP's Character Appraisal and Management Plan (March 2015): <a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/East-Meon-CAAMP-2015.pdf">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/East-Meon-CAAMP-2015.pdf</a>. This includes a map of the Conservation Area which extends from Workhouse Lane to the west and the Court House to the North to the end of the High Street and Frogmore to the east. The range of buildings, including timber framed, late 17th/18th century brick buildings, thatched roofs and later tiled roofs and flint walls all contribute to the core of what is often described as a 'beautiful village'.</p> <p>'The High Street is precious, as is Park Hill'.</p> <p>Community feedback also highlights the importance of views into the Conservation Area, allowing visitors to the National Park to view the area holistically. Particular reference was made to views of the Conservation Area from Park Hill in the north and Small Down, Salt Hill and some public footpaths to the south.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan consultation indicated that the key gateways into the village should be protected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coombe Road, by 40 Acres (nature area), and further on, approaching the school (sunken lane)</li> <li>• The Hyde/Church Lane/West Meon Road (Church, Court House and other interesting architecture)</li> <li>• Clanfield Road/High Street (sunken lane)</li> </ul> <p>The gap which helps to define the separate settlements of East Meon and Frogmore is considered important, as highlighted in the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>
<p><b>Particular features of buildings of local character</b></p> <p><i>For example. building materials, boundary treatments, relevant points from Parish or Village Design Statements</i></p>	<p>See The East Meon Neighbourhood Plan Policies EM6 to EM9 for Design requirements. These Policies are working well and are often referred to when discussing potential planning applications with residents as well as in pre-applications, applications and decisions.</p> <p>The East Meon Pattern Book, part of the evidence base and supporting documentation for the Neighbourhood Plan, describes in some detail the features of buildings in many of the streets that make up the Conservation Area (and some of those outside it). It can be found here: <a href="https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/2.EAST-MEON-Pattern-Book-compressed.pdf">https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/2.EAST-MEON-Pattern-Book-compressed.pdf</a></p>

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	As mentioned earlier, the range of mostly traditional materials and boundary treatments used for buildings within the Conservation Area is what makes it an interesting and characterful part of East Meon. The Pattern Book contains a huge amount of detail which cannot reasonably be summarised here.

## The natural environment

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<p><b>Opportunities to make nature bigger, better and more joined up</b></p> <p><i>For example connecting two areas of woodland or heathland or the restoration of a local pond</i></p>	<p>Our River Meon Priority in section I is designed to build upon the excellent work already underway to take advantage of the uniqueness of this chalk stream, to widen the number of species seen there and to increase the enjoyment of residents and visitors of this special asset. Continuing to protect and improve the River Meon in our parish will have benefits beyond East Meon, in ecosystems along the river. This has significant support among residents.</p> <p>Also mentioned is improving the River Meon as an amenity by extending walking opportunities along its length, especially west of the village.</p> <p>The very active East Meon Nature Group's Tree Working Group, with financial and technical support from SDNP, planted 150 metres of nature hedging, and some fruit trees, in winter 22/23 and have plans to do so around the football pitch to join up and improve existing hedges to form a nature corridor.</p> <p>With higher summer temperatures more likely, there will be a need to have tree canopies in areas within or close to the village, so that people without gardens or who are outside can find shade when needed. We would like financial and technical support from SDNPA to help identify and plant such areas.</p> <p>There was also support for a community orchard or woodland planted somewhere on the edge of the village and turning some of our local green spaces into wildflower meadows.</p> <p>Local farmers and landowners are crucial in supporting renaturing efforts; feedback indicates that residents expect to see effective liaison between them, local authorities, the SDNP and the Parish Council.</p>



## Jobs

Information Required	Response
<p><b>Information about business you would like to protect and business opportunities that should be provided</b></p> <p><i>Name important businesses and business areas, amount of home working and opportunities for new businesses</i></p>	<p>Farming and diversified businesses on farms are important employers in the Parish. We look forward to seeing continued farming growth and diversification plans for farms, including Whole Estate Plans, where they are being written.</p> <p>The school and the nursery (in the Village Hall) are important to the village.</p> <p>The 2 pubs in the village are Assets of Community Value.</p> <p>The Forge is unique in that it is an office within the Settlement Policy Boundary.</p> <p>The presence of a shop is vital to the community, especially as it saves car journeys to Petersfield and because the village is poorly served by public transport.</p> <p>ONS Census 2021 data indicates that East Meon has 47.7% of employed people working from home (versus 31.5% average for England). These numbers must be treated carefully for Covid reasons, but seem to indicate that East Meon has a higher proportion than the average.</p> <p>Feedback has suggested that tourism and entrepreneurial initiatives currently only favour landowners who exercise rights that they already have and the SDNPA needs to look at how to encourage a broader range of projects.</p>

## Public spaces

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<p><i>Public Open Space, Public realm, Pocket Parks</i></p>	<p>See the East Meon Neighbourhood Plan Policy EM10 for a list of Local Green Spaces. This is a strong policy which works well and continues to be well supported by the community, as evidenced by feedback to the PPS. A detailed consultation took place to identify and confirm these for the EMNDP. The larger spaces e.g. the Recreation Ground and the Green have the margins not now being mowed and new hedges (see earlier). A similar approach will be taken with the Football Pitch.</p>

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	<p>We would like support in continuing to make some of our Local Green Spaces more accessible e.g. widening footpaths, removing difficult steps etc.</p> <p>The Sustainability Centre is a significant green space within the parish and is active in nature recovery on its site.</p> <p>The cricket pitch, south of White Lodge, Mercury Lane is an Asset of Community Value and is used by a local cricket team.</p>

## Infrastructure

Information Required	Response
<p><i>Active travel priorities, roads / parking, community buildings needs, waste / water infrastructure, broadband, renewable energy</i></p>	<p>Examples mentioned by residents include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sewerage &amp; drainage improvements are essential for residents in Workhouse Lane plus surrounds, including the football pitch and allotments (see earlier). EMNDP Policies EM12: Sewerage and Drainage and Policy EM13: Surface water Management were written to address this, but feedback indicates that these need to be strengthened.</li> <li>• Improvement in roads is required and certainly no activity which increases usage of certain roads. Workhouse Lane and Temple Lane were specifically mentioned by residents, with both having no pavements, more traffic using them than they were designed for, unsafe conditions for pedestrians and cyclists and damage being caused to the roads, to properties and parked cars (a significant incident occurred in August '23) by large vehicles.</li> <li>• Traffic calming measures are required to slow vehicles passing through the village (see 20mph speed limit action in section 1) and to prioritise pedestrians, while allowing access for large farming vehicles which are part of the daily traffic movements.</li> <li>• More protection of Byways Open to All Traffic (BOATs) to ensure that they do actually remain usable by walkers, cyclists and horse-riders. A cross-parish residents' group and the Parish Council are active with SDNPA and Hampshire County Council to identify sustainable solutions to the degradation of BOATs by motorised leisure vehicles, motor bikes and cars. See recent Parish Council minutes <a href="https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/2023-minutes/">https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/2023-minutes/</a></li> <li>• More frequent transport links to Petersfield and other centres. Recently the bus company has reduced the local bus service again (<a href="https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/home">https://www.eastmeonpc.org.uk/community/east-meon-parish-council-15063/home</a>). The possibility of a village minibus was proposed by one resident.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of active travel links was a common theme in feedback, e.g. linking up BOATs to provide a cycleway into Petersfield, provision of a cycle route or lane from East Meon to Langrish and better cyscling provision generally. Some roads (e.g. Temple Lane and Workhouse Lane) are unsafe for cyclists.</li> <li>• Most of East Meon’s homes are dependent upon polluting technologies for their heating and energy, so new solutions are required. The Parish Council objected to the use of LPG to heat homes on one of its NP sites, but to no avail. One resident has suggested a communal ground source heat pump, using the village green, for houses on The Green</li> <li>• Public Electric Vehicle Charging points for residents and visitors; there are currently none in the village.</li> <li>• As mentioned earlier, we do not wish to see yellow lines edging the roads in the centre of our village, but need to stop visitors from parking outside residents’ doors and gates, maybe through improved signage.</li> </ul>

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**FINALISING YOUR SUBMISSION**

As a reminder, before finalising your submission, please check you have addressed the following:

- **You have completed the details in section I, including details of public engagement events and consultation activities which have informed the statement. Where possible please identify the percentage of the community that have engaged in the preparation of the PPS.**
- **Please try to summarise the community’s views and aspirations as much as possible, do not provide details of individuals who have commented, and bullet points for key priorities where possible.**
- **If you have supporting evidence or information please use a hyperlink to the data where available, and summarise the information as much as possible in the PPS.**

**DISCLAIMER**

The assessment process and outputs will feed into the Local Plan review process but we cannot guarantee the delivery of specific community aspirations in the South Downs Local Plan policies, allocations or designations.

## DATA PROTECTION STATEMENT

The information collected in this response form will be used by the National Park Authority, as part of its public task, to inform the local plan-making processes and other relevant Authority documents or processes. This information will then be retained until it is superseded. By responding you are accepting the information within your response, may be made available to the public. Any personal information provided (names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses or other contact details) will not be made public. Please let us know if you do not wish for your information to be shared in this way.

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Information required	Response
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<b>Date</b>	

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